

MERRIMACK AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA

Matthew Thornton Room, East Wing

June 14, 2017

7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

1. Comments from the press or public

New Business

- a) Summer Market Update
- b) Winter Market Update
- c) Community Garden Update
- d) Direction for 2017, i.e. ideas
- e) Upcoming Workshops/Seminars – See Attached
- f) Bug alert
- g) Horse sense
- h) Treasurer's report
- i) Agricultural News
- j) Minutes: Review draft minutes from May 12, 2017

2. Comments from the press

3. Comments from the public

4. Comments from the Commission

5. Motion to Adjourn

Upcoming Workshops/Seminars

June 19, 2017 - The University of New Hampshire will kick off National Pollinator Week with its Pollinator Appreciation Day. The event includes a Pollinator Open House and Twilight Meeting/Research Field Day at the Woodman Horticultural Research Farm, home to the UNH Bee Hotel, extensive wildflower plantings, and a research site for the first assessment of the Granite State's native bee species. **Pollinator Open House - 3:00 - 4:30 PM; Research Field Day for Growers - 5:00 - 7:00 PM**

June 24, 2017 - Hatchland Farm will be having an Open Barn from **10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.** in North Haverhill. They will be celebrating 25 years of bottling milk. The day will be filled with farm tours, demonstrations, wagon rides and milk & ice cream samples. There will be representatives there from Granite State Dairy Promotion, UNH Cooperative Extension, Grafton County Farm Bureau, Ag in the Classroom, Natural Resource Conservation Services, Phoenix Feeds and more. Bring your family out for a day of fun. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be available. Event will happen rain or shine.

June 30, 2017 – NH Tree Farm Workshop Series Caring for Your Forest - Exploring some of NH's Unique Habitats – **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.** Remick Country Doctor Museum and Farm - 58 Cleveland Hill Rd., Tamworth NH

July 12, 2017 – Tree Fruit Twilight Meeting – Windy Ridge Orchard, North Haverill – **5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

July 12, 2017 – Scale Clinic – State House Annex, Concord – attendees should bring legal-for-trade scale(s) and any necessary accessories, a current scale license (if you have one) and renewal forms and payments due (no credit cards accepted)

July 20. Vegetable and berry twilight meeting. Apple Hill Farm, Concord, NH. **5:30-7:30 p.m.**